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Inventor : Akihiro HORII, et al.  
Title : RAPID DEPTH SCANNING OPTICAL IMAGING DEVICE  
Assignee : Olympus Optical Co., Ltd.

This application is a divisional of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/656,799 filed September 7, 2000 entitled SURGICAL APPARATUS PERMITTING RECHARGE BATTERY-DRIVEN SURGICAL INSTRUMENT IN NONCONTACT STATE, which claims the benefit of Convention Date September 9, 1999 for Japan Appln. S.N. 11-256294, Convention Date March 21, 2000 for Japan Appln. S.N. 2000-078743, and Convention Date May 22, 2000 for Japan Appln. S.N. 2000-154417, the contents of which are incorporated by this reference.

Enclosed herewith please find the following documents in the above-identified application for United States Letters Patent:

- ☒    Print EFS Data Sheet
- 85   Pages of Japanese Specification including Abstract and Claims
- 192  Pages of English Translation of Specification including Abstract and Claims
- 73  Numbered Claims Calculated as  73  Claims for Fee Purposes
- 39  Sheets of Drawing Containing Figures  1  to  77 . (Formal)
- ☒    Copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney from the prior application under 37 CFR 1.63(d). The entire disclosure of the prior application is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.
- ☒    Preliminary Amendment

- ☒ PTO-1449 Form of Disclosure recorded under Serial No. 09/656,799
- ☒ Priority is Claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119:  
Convention Date September 9, 1999 for Japan Appln. S.N. 11-256294  
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- ☒ The prior application was assigned to Olympus Optical Co., Ltd. and was recorded on November 17, 2000 at Reel 011404, Frame 0808.
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